will bring more to the state than RGGI, in order to promote the same types of energy efficiency and renewable energy programs.

The legislation also requires that 20 percent of energy produced by electric utilities come from renewable resources and energy savings by 2020, still below Delaware's own standard. A robust renewable electricity standard is the most important policy tool we have to make sure new energy projects utilize Americanmade components manufactured by American workers, and I believe we should strive to strengthen the national standard.

The coal resource of the U.S. is abundant and the bill creates new programs designed to promote carbon capture and sequestration, and sets new emissions standards for coalfired power plants. This bill also supports modernizing of electricity infrastructure, including smart grid technologies. And, to aid the U.S. auto manufacturers, the bill aims to assist in the development of improved battery technology and plug-in electric vehicles.

Major technological advancements and tax incentives are already positively influencing the advancement of the wind, solar, fuel cell, and biomass industries right here in Delaware. Green jobs, which could be those involved with electricity generated by wind, those that produce energy-efficient goods and services like mass transit, or those that install energyconserving products like retrofitting buildings with thermal-pane windows, fuel cells, and solar-are key to the success of a new energy economy. Much work has been done voluntarily over the last several years to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and I was glad to see that the bill takes steps to recognize these early, voluntary actions by industry leaders.

In speaking with Governor Marken, we agree that this legislation will strengthen our domestic economy through innovative and sustainable job creation. I have also heard from leading Delaware businesses who believe in the opportunity of transforming to a clean energy economy. Ion Power said: this bill "will make a real difference for America, and my business." Eclipse Solar has said: ". . . we also know that clean energy is a great way to make money; supporting solar energy and other renewables will boost our economy and help create more jobs." Delaware Technical and Community College offered: ". . . the College is developing an Applied Energy Education Center that will connect Delawareans to new "green" jobs by developing Delaware's green workforce and enabling citizens and businesses to reduce their energy costs through increased energy efficiency, conservation, integration, and management." Bluewater Wind wrote: "By taking bold, concrete steps to address climate change and creating a new national Renewable Electricity Standard (RES), passage of the Waxman-Markey bill will spur hundreds of thousands of new jobs in America's growing renewable energy industry."

The agriculture sector plays a vital role in Delaware's economy. I was pleased to support U.S. House Agriculture Chairman PETERSON's work to ensure that the interests of the agriculture community were represented in the legislation, including that the U.S. Department of Agriculture will be in charge of working with farmers on the portion of the offset program that involves generating offset credits from

U.S. farms and forests.

Complex and detailed proposals must always be weighed thoughtfully and carefully. Ultimately, challenging economic times demand that we look to the future, not cling to the past. Leading experts differ on the economic impact that this legislation will have on each of us and I will remain closely engaged in efforts to reduce any cost increase passed through utility bills. This may not be a silver bullet for turning our economy around overnight. However, I am confident that we must drive innovation, research and market-based strategies to strengthen our immediate economic outlook and instill optimism for tomor-

CONGRATULATING THE LADY FIGHTING IRISH OF HACKETT CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. UPTON, Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Lady Fighting Irish of Hackett Catholic Central High School in Kalamazoo, Michigan on being named the 2009 Division 4 State Soccer Champions. This team of young ladies, lead by Coach Tim Halloran and assisted by Coaches Erin Moore, Alyssa Chludzinski and Trainer Cailee Servais, has put in endless hours of hard work and dedication to bring home the their third state championship trophy since 2002.

Winning a state championship is a memory that will last a lifetime. It is a remarkable achievement that few teams ever experience. and it is a legacy that will live with the 2009 Lady Fighting Irish forever. This young team, lead by captains Maddie Brennan, Julie Ross and Stephanie Johnson, played a close game against the Madison Heights Bishop Foley Ventures and came out victorious beating the Ventures 1-0.

It is an honor to pay tribute to the entire Lady Fighting Irish team: Rebecca Farrer, Kalani Bates, Sara Howard, Maria Escamillia, Megan Putnam, Johanna Hamilton, Stephanie Walley, Christina Pinon, Aleks Svikis, Maddie Brennan, Ana Villalobos, Emma Forster, Neil Locke, Claire Sorek, Stephanie Johnson, Casey Lamp, Erin May, Mallory Busso, Maggie Wenzel, Ashleigh Reisterer and Julie Ross. We are so proud of all of you.

On behalf of all the residents of southwest Michigan, congratulations again to the Lady Fighting Irish, Coach Halloran and the entire greater Kalamazoo community-you are an inspiration to us all. It is Hackett Catholic Central pride at its finest. Go Fighting Irish!

HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY, MR. ALBERT McCALL, SR.

HON. MARSHA BLACKBURN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, July 10, 2009

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the 80th birthday of one of Tennessee's finest citizens, Mr. Albert McCall, Sr., of Carthage, Tennessee.

Born and raised in Smith County, Tennessee, Mr. McCall earned two degrees-a bachelor's at Tennessee Polytechnic Institute and a master's at the University of Missouribefore serving as an Army Artillery Officer and in the dangerous position of a forward observer during the Korean war.

After returning home from the war, he married Miss Virginia Olive Doran in 1955 and began working in the family business, DT McCall and Sons, founded by his father and still a vital business and significant employer in Tennessee some 100 years later.

Mr. McCall has two fine children, Albert McCall II and Menda Elizabeth McCall Holmes, and four grandchildren: Alex, Kate, Monica and Derek. He is a member of the First Baptist Church in Carthage and has been active in civic affairs for many years across Tennessee. His leadership has been crucial to the success of our State, and I am humbly grateful to him for the many years of hard work and sacrifice he has provided.

Madam Speaker, I congratulate Albert on a life well-lived and ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating his past, present, and future accomplishments.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. AARON SCHOCK

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. SCHOCK. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the Republican adopted standards on earmarks, I submit the below detailed explanation of the Illinois: Lincoln Capital Airport Relocate Base Entrance.

Bill Number: H.R. 3082-Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010.

Provisions/Account: Department of Justice. COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: The entity to receive funding for this project is Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport (ANG), Illinois Capital Airport, Springfield, IL 62704.

Description of Request: The funding would be used to relocate the base entrance to include realignment of existing four lane airport entrance, two lane base entry road and reconfigure intersection with state highway to ensure the facility meets DoD security requirements.

HONORING MR. THOMAS TRADEWELL

HON. F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge one of my constituents, Mr. Thomas Tradewell, who is slated to become the newly elected National Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

Mr. Tradewell will soon begin working in this prestigious position of leadership. His honorable service to our country, along with his numerous awards recognizing his service exemplifies his outstanding commitment to ensuring America's freedom. I join many other Americans in expressing my deep appreciation for

his efforts to assist and lead our nation's vet-

I am proud that Mr. Tradewell is a citizen of Wisconsin's Fifth Congressional District and I wish him well in his new position as National Commander. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing Mr. Tradewell for his notable career achievements, his exemplary leadership, and his dedication to our country.

HONORING THE STUDENTS OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES ACADEMY

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, July 10, 2009

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the students from Our Lady of Lourdes Academy on their honorable mention in the 2009 "We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution" program held in Washington, DC.

I would like to give a special mention to the students who participated in the competition: Michelle Azzi, Daniela Chediak, Kina de Cordoba, Brianna Donnet, Tiffany Fan, Bertila Fernandez Gabrielle Fernandez, Miranda Garcia, Victoria Garcia, Maria Gonzalez, Rebecca Hubert, Kristina Jacomino, Julia Longoria, Isabelle Martinez, Victoria Moreno, Katerina Ona, Elizabeth Rasco, Natalie San Juan, and Kelly Scott.

I would also like to congratulate their teacher Rosie Heffernan for her tireless efforts on behalf of the students. Her students' success is a testament to her selfless dedication.

I pray for the utmost success on all of the future endeavors of these excellent young women and expect to hear more great accomplishments from every one of them.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, on Wednesday, July 8, 2009, the House voted on final passage of H.R. 2965, the "Enhancing Small Business Research and Innovation Act of 2009," rollcall No. 486.

My vote was recorded as "no" but in keeping with my past votes on the Small Business Research and Innovation Act, my vote should have been a "yes." The Small Business Innovation Research Program and the Small Business Technology Transfer Program are critical to increasing small business research and project development capabilities, and I strongly support their continued funding.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHARLES H. CARLAN UPON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. JEFF MILLER

 ${\tt OF\ FLORIDA}$

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Charles Carlan, a

northwest Florida community leader and businessman who is retiring after over 40 years of professional engineering and consulting. Mr. Carlan spent his life serving others, and I am proud to honor his dedication and service.

Born in DeFuniak Springs, Florida, Charles has been an integral part of the Northwest Florida community ever since. He graduated from Walton High School and went on to play baseball at Auburn University. After a brief stint in professional baseball with the Milwaukee Braves, Charles earned his Bachelor of Civil Engineering from Auburn in 1960. He began his career as a professional engineer, where he served in a variety of capacities over the years. His professional history includes working as City Engineer for the City of Pensacola, Maintenance Engineer of the Florida Department of Transportation, and Staff Director of the Florida Senate Transportation Committee. As President of CarlanKillam Consulting Group, Charles grew the firm to become one of the largest engineering firms in Northwest Florida. After being acquired by Hatch Mott MacDonald in 2001. Charles remained at his firm until his retirement.

Although widely known for his commercial ventures. Charles' business success pales in comparison to his outstanding service to the local community. He has served as Treasurer of the University of West Florida Foundation, President of the Pensacola Junior College Foundation, and Chairman of the Administrative Board of the First United Methodist Church. Charles has actively promoted the engineering profession by working as President of the Florida Engineering Society and the Professional Surveyors of Florida. The Florida Institute of Consulting Engineers recognized this dedication to his field and awarded him with the Governor A.W. Gilchrist Award for Outstanding Service to the Engineering Profession and Community. In one of Charles' most remarkable service achievements, he has attained 20 years of perfect attendance at the Pensacola Five Flags Rotary Club.

The list of Mr. Carlan³s accomplishments extends far beyond what is noted here, but they all highlight his devotion to improving the lives of those around him and to bettering his community through service.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am privileged to honor Charles Carlan for his lifetime of service to Northwest Florida. My wife Vicki and I wish all the best for Charles and his wife, Carol, as they embark on this latest journey in their lives.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. KINGSTON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3082, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

Request information: Representative JACK KINGSTON

H.R. 3082

Department of Defense, Army National Guard Account

Recipient information: Georgia Army National Guard, Hunter Army Aviation Facility, Savannah GA

Description: The Georgia Army National Guard received an earmark in the amount of \$8,967,000.

The current facility has exceeded its useful life with several irreparable leaks. The unit is devoting considerable time in overcoming these obstacles to meet its current requirements for training, planning and storage of weapons and information technology.

HONORING COLONEL DARRELL E. ADAMS

HON. JOHN S. TANNER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. TANNER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and pay tribute to Colonel Darrell E. Adams, for 27 years of exceptional service and dedication to the United States Air Force. He will be retiring from active duty on September 30, 2009.

In his most recent assignment, he served as the Chief of the Strategy and Assessments Division, Secretary of the Air Force, Directorate of Public Affairs.

Colonel Adams grew up in McIntosh, Alabama. He entered the Air Force in 1982 as a distinguished graduate of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at Alabama State University. Following undergraduate missile training, his operational assignments included duties as a Minuteman III Intercontinental Ballistic Missile crew commander at Grand Forks Air Force Base, North Dakota and Ground Launched Cruise Missile crew commander at Florennes Air Base, Belgium, during the period of the Cold War.

Colonel Adams has served in a variety of staff and leadership positions both stateside and overseas. He has been a training officer, protocol officer, command and control officer at the wing and Headquarters level. Most notably, he was the on-duty Senior Controller at Headquarters Fifteenth Air Force when President George H.W. Bush directed the nuclear stand-down for B–52 bombers, tanker aircraft, and missiles in promoting peace and stability between the United States and the Soviet Union. He has been a squadron commander, deputy group commander; he has two assignments as a congressional liaison officer.

Prior to his current assignment, Colonel Adams served as the Chief of the Congressional Inquiries Division, Office of Legislative Liaison. He managed on behalf of the Department of the Air Force, all constituent inquiries from the White House, Office of the Vice President, Members of Congress and state and local governments. He also managed the Air Force Legislative Fellowship program where selected Air Force officers served as Congressional Fellows on Capitol Hill.

Over the past 4 years Colonel Adams escorted many Members of Congress on Congressional Delegations, in furtherance of their oversight responsibilities. He assisted me and Members of the U.S. House delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly on multiple trips to Europe including Russia, Africa, and Afghanistan. The logistics of such trips are often complicated and require lengthy and detailed preparation. He always upheld the highest standards of professional conduct and his